

MANISTEE AREA PEG COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

July 23, 2003

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Manistee Area PEG Commission was held on July 23, 2003 at 6:10 p.m. in room 113 of the Manistee High School, 525 Twelfth Street, Manistee, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Mencarelli, J. Ball, M. Tillotson, M. Carlson, N. Leslie, L. Trucks

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: S. Scrimger, various members of the public.

There was a motion by Ball, seconded by Carlson to accept the minutes of the June 25, 2003 meeting. Motion was passed 5-0.

Channel update - Mencarelli presented a channel log and updated the commission on current work at the broadcast site.

Discussion of contract for broadcast operations - There was a motion by Tillotson, seconded by Carlson to advertise 3 times weekly for one additional month for the program managers position in an attempt to solicit more applicants. Motion passed 5-0.

Note: Commissioner Trucks arrived at this time.

Discussion of operating forms & procedures - There was a motion by Tillotson, seconded by Carlson to reject the proposed Operating Policies and Procedures. Vote was deadlocked 3-3 Trucks suggested have a work session to refine the operating policies and procedures. It was agreed to conduct a work session at City hall 6:30 pm on Monday, August 4 for that purpose. Scrimger will confirm that a room is available and advise commissioners if it is not. Subsequent to that work session, a revised draft of the Operating Policies and Procedures will be voted on at the next meeting.

Note: Commissioner Leslie had to leave the meeting at this time.

Mencarelli presented tapes he had chosen not to broadcast with his reasons. He stated that these tapes contained advertising in violation of FCC guidelines and current PEG policies. There was a motion by Trucks, seconded by Ball to accept the decision not to broadcast the tapes. Motion passed 4-1.

There was a motion by Ball, seconded by Carlson to set the regular meetings of the PEG Commission as the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m.. Meetings will still be held at the High School. Motion passed 5-0.

A number of citizens present expressed concerns that Seventh Day Adventist programs are not being shown. Mencarelli explained guidelines and agreed to work out details with the church.

It was agreed to hold the next meeting in room 113 of the Manistee High School on Twelfth Street. The date for the next meeting was set for August 20, 2003.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 p.m.